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S. 4881

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the matching funds requirement for grants provided to low-income taxpayer clinics.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WELCH (for himself and Mr. MARSHALL) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Unlocking Low-Income
5 Taxpayer Clinic Funding Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. LOW-INCOME TAXPAYER CLINIC FUNDING UN-**
7 **LOCKED.**

8 (a) MATCHING FUNDS.—Paragraph (5) of section
9 7526(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
10 to read as follows:

1 “(5) REQUIREMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to any
3 grant provided to a low-income taxpayer clinic
4 under this section, such clinic shall provide
5 matching funds equal to the applicable percent-
6 age of the amount of such grant.

7 “(B) MATCHING FUNDS.—

8 “(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of
9 this paragraph, the term ‘matching funds’
10 may include—

11 “(I) the salary (including fringe
12 benefits) of individuals performing
13 services for the low-income taxpayer
14 clinic, and

15 “(II) the cost of equipment used
16 in the low-income taxpayer clinic.

17 “(ii) EXCLUSION.—For purposes of
18 this paragraph, the term ‘matching funds’
19 shall not include any indirect expenses,
20 such as general overhead of the institution
21 sponsoring the low-income taxpayer clinic.

22 “(C) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For
23 purposes of subparagraph (A), the applicable
24 percentage shall be 100 percent, except that the
25 Secretary may establish a lower percentage (not

1 below 25 percent) if the Secretary determines
2 that such percentage would expand the coverage
3 of the low-income taxpayer clinic to additional
4 taxpayers.”.

5 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 7526(c) of
6 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by sub-
7 section (a), is further amended—

8 (1) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2), and
9 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through
10 (6) as paragraphs (1) through (4).

11 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
12 this section shall apply to calendar years beginning after
13 the date of enactment of this Act.

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